CROSSWORD
No. 15,938 Set by CHALMIE

ACROSS
1 Drink supplier oddly free with potato soup (3,2,3)
5 Record and preserve gridlock (6)
10 Naked, nervously repairing shutters (7)
11 Said school programme gets smaller (7)
12 Soft toy accidentally dyed black during race (5,4)
13 Going easy, announced shortages (5)
15 Dog my trap doesn't finish off (5)
16 Instruments showing cigarette end back on fire (8)
19 Energetic person's book on passion in decline (8)
20 Cook's accessory tolerable after a month (5)
21 Is a sign of public authorities maybe not being independent (5)
23 Most ill-advised in any case (9)
24 Advantage when hard (5)
25 Officer likely to stop murderer (7)
27 Articles I leave around are red (7)
28 Some neophyte ninjas repel quite a few (6)
29 Musician sometimes ready for fish (8)

DOWN
1 Business of government mostly civil, with pieces oddly missing (8)
2 Native American legend burned out in bronze medal position (11)
3 Sadly, over fifty and single (5-4)
4 Follow leaders in economics – never sell undervalued equities (5)
6 Dipper found in Tesco useless (5)
7 First person in Bordeaux to drink no American coffee (3)
8 Disguises 1,000 questions (5)
9 Circle round a large sort of collar (8)
14 Provide column for young monarch? (11)
16 Delaying Carol with unbelievable interruption (8)
17 Old method of crossing Channel to criminally obtain art (4,5)
18 10 cars (one unknown) form a line (8)
21 Meat company covered by prohibition (5)
22 Intelligent way to limit damage (5)
24 Advantage when hard (5)
26 Sound system introducing northern god (3)

Solution 15,937